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TITLE:

Method for Ensuring Adequacy of Transmission Capacity, Terminal Employing the Method, and Software Means for

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is herewith filed in conjunction with the filing of a new U.S. Patent Application. Any fee required as a result of this Preliminary Amendment is attached. However, should the undersigned attorney be mistaken or should there be a fee deficiency, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-1924 for the amount of the deficiency.

Please amend the application as shown below.